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SUBJECT: New Belgian Carrier Notified to Embassy

¶1. (U) This is an action request: See para 4.

¶2. (U) On October 2, the Embassy received a diplomatic note from the Foreign Ministry notifying it of a new Belgian airline company. This notification was made under provisions of the 23 October 1980 bilateral Air Transport Agreement (as amended) currently in force between the two countries. It requests that the carrier Flying Service N.V. be recognized under the provisions of article 3 of that agreement, and specifically refers to Annex II which pertains to charter service companies.

¶3. (U) Begin text of operative paragraphs: (unofficial translation)

The Foreign Affairs office brings to the attention of the US Embassy that Belgium is designating the Belgian aviation company "Flying Service N.V." as a means for undertaking non-regular air services as foreseen under Annex II of the Aviation Accord, conforming to the conditions of article 3 of that Accord.

The Foreign Office would appreciate the Embassy bringing this action to the attention of the competent US authorities.

End text.

¶4. (U) Post requests Washington agencies' guidance on any action that should be taken to recognize and accredit for service to the US the named charter aviation carrier.

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